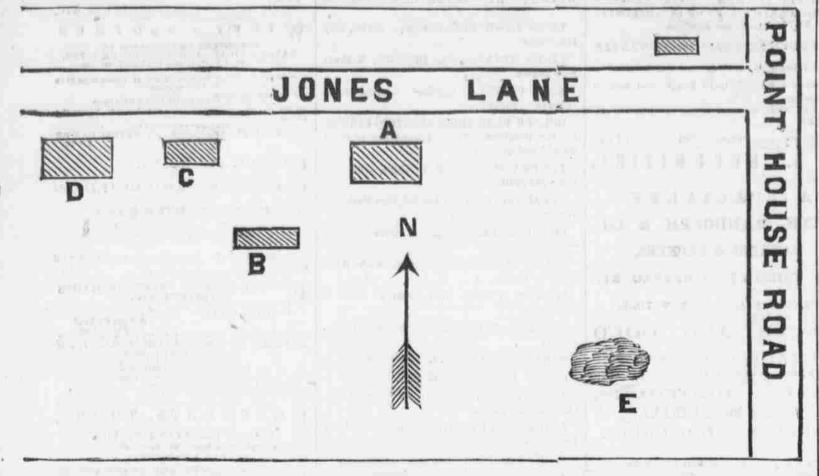
# THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.

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PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1866.

DOUBLE SHEET-THREE CENTS.

# SCENE OF THE CREAT OCTO-HOMICIDE.



A .- Residence of Mr. Deering-Point Road and Jones' Lane. B .- Wagon House. C .- Corn Crib. D .- Barn. E .- Haystack, where most of th bodies were discovered, and where the body of the lad was found this morning. Here, too, the bloody clothes of the murderer were picked up.

# LATEST HORROR!

Bloody Outrage in First Ward.

THE "COSDEN," "SPRING," "BART. LETT," "COOSA," AND "JOYCE" TRAGEDIES OUTDONE.

An Entire Family Butchered in Cold Blood.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN BRUTALLY MURDERED.

Escape of the Assassins.

HEAVY REWARDS OFFERED

Seven Mutilated and Decomposing Bodies Discovered in a Compost Heap.

# EIGHTH VICTIM FOUND THIS MORNING

The Only Octo-Homicide on Record

SHOCKING DETAILS OF THE CRIME

The Victims Have Their Sculls Crushed and Throats Cut.

PAINFUL POPULAR EXCITEMENT LAST NIGHT AND TO-DAY.

Practical and Theoretical Speculations As to How and by How Many the Fiendish Outrage was Committed.

The Persons Upon Whom Suspicion Rests.

SCENE OF THE MURDER THIS MORNING.

Assassin's Clothes Identified.

INFANT TAKEN FROM ITS CRADLE AND SLAUGHTERED.

Robbery the Only Motive

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

Yesterday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock, the city of Philadelphia was startled from its propriety by the intelligence that an entire family had been ruthlessly slaughtered by a German laborer engaged in the service of the murdered man. The news spread rapidly, and the detectives were soon upon the ground. As near as we can learn, the following are the

details of the horrible massacre;-Mr. Christopher Deering resided about onehalf mile from the old Point House road, and

within five hundred yards of the site of the wellremembered Point House, about three miles below the Navy Yard, on what is termed the

The dwelling-house, a two-story frame, is located on Jones' Lane, the barn and stable being a short distance off. Mr. Deering was a cattle dealer, and a quiet, uno-tentatious man. He attended strictly to his own business, and thus won the festeem of all who knew nim. He occupied the farm for five or six years, having rented it from the owner, Mr. James Mitchell. Besides his own family, he had a hired man living with him, a German, whose name none of the residents thereabouts could give; also a lad, called Cornelius, seventeen years old, who was bound to Mr. Deering, and had been with him seven or eight years. Yesterday afternoon the tearful discovery was

made that the entire family, with the exception of the eldest child, a boy named William, ten years of age, who happened to be paving a visit to a relative, named Duffy, in West Philadelphia (and possibly the boy Cornelius), were brutally murdered, and their bodies thrown together in the barn, a short distance from the dwelling-house. In each instance the heads were knocked in and the throats cut, in some cases to such an extent that they were nearly were knocked in and the throats cut, in some cases to such an extent that they were nearly decapitated. There they lay, a mangled mass of humanity, piled one on top of the other. The father of the lamity and Mrs. Dolan were found lying side by side in the barn, terribly disfigured, and covered with hay, and in an adjoining sort of corn-crib was found the body of Mrs. Deering, surrounded by four of her children, all so terribly mutlated that identification was almost impossible; the ages of the children ranging from eight years to an innocent of four-teen months. The names of the persons muricted are as follows:-

Mr. Christopher Deering, aged 37 years, Mrs. Julia Deering, aged 44 years. John Deering, aged 8 years. Thomas Deering, aged 6 years. Annie Deering, aged 4 years. Emma Deering, aged 14 months.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dolan, aged 45 years. The last seen of any members of the family was last Friday morning, when some of the neighbors observed two of the children going over the meadow near the house, apparently

hasing up some ducks. Mr. Deering was, however, seen as late as last Saturday morning, when he called upon Mr. Mitchell, No. 1629 Arch street, who owns the estate on which Mr. Deering resides. He trans-acted some business with Mr. Mitchell and then eft, saying that he had to go to the steamboat landing, in order to meet his niece (Mrs. Dolan) who, it appears, had gone to Trenton to attend a funeral. From that time nothing was seen or is known of him until found as described, in his

barn, yesterday afternoon.

There is every reason to suppose that the murders were committed last Saturday afternoon, for an examination of the prewises reveals the fact that the wagon used by Mr. Deering during his visit to the city on Saturday morning is safely stowed away in the carriage-house, and a piece of beef he had doubtless purchased for his Sunday dinner was discovered lying in the bottom of the wagon, yesterday afternoon, and which, was partly decomposed. Again, Mrs. Dolan, when discovered in the barn, was dressed in full black, as though she might have been to a funeral, and she was attired in entirely clean undergarments, and wore around her neck a jet crucifix, suspended by a string of black beads, Mr. Deering, when discovered, was dressed as

though he had just returned home. He even had on a pair of dark kid gloves, but his boots Mrs. Deering and her children were dressed in their every day attire, giving rise to the supposition that the terrible heart-rending deed was committed during the day time, or at all events

very early in the evening. It seems strange that the fact that the family were missing was not discovered at an earlier date, but it is accounted for in this wise: -Mr. Deering was a man of rather retired, quiet habits, and did not mix much with his neighbors. It was noticed that the windows of the dwelling were open, and day by day passed without any suspicion entering into the minds of the neighbors that anything was wrong. Yesterday afternoon a neighbor happened to visit the premises for the purpose of feeding a colt that he had charge of. He entered the barn with that ob ect in view, when his attention was attracted to something unusual at the southwest angle of the barn. He proceeded to make an investigation, when he discovered the teet of Mr. Deering projecting through the hay. He beat a hasty retreat and informed an acquaint-ance named John Gool of the circumstance. A further investigation was made, when the bodies of Mrs. Deering and Mrs. Dolan were found lying side by side, with their throats cut

in a most horrible manner, and entirely covered with hay, with the exception of Mr. Deering's The neighborhood was at once aroused, and as soon as the knowledge of the occurrence became generally known, parties were despatched to the city authorities with information of the discovery. The premises were at once taken possession of by the neighbors, and no one per-mitted to enter the barn until the arrival of the proper authorities. Chief Detective Benja-min Franklin, Police Lieutenant Frank Hampton; and Detective John Lamon, proceeded at once to the scene of the murder. The barn was entered, and the bodies of Mr. Deering and Mrs. Dolan discovered as described.

The dwelling was carefully searched, but

nothing worthy of publication was discovered beyond the fact that the rooms were in a dis-ordered condition. An axe was found, however, resting on a bench outside the house, which contained marks of blood, and it is believed that the murders were committed with just such a weapon as the one found. The question was then raised, what has become of Mrs. Deering and the children? An examination was at once instituted, and after the lapse of perhaps half an hour's time, they were dis-covered frightfully mangled in the corn-crib which adjoins the barn, and within a few feet of the spot where the first-named bodies were discovered.

By this time Coroner Taylor, Chief Ruggles, High Constable Clark, and other officials, had arrived. The Coroner proceeded at once in the discharge of his duties in the premises. The bodies were removed from the places where they had lain so long, and were conveyed in a wagon to the residence of Cyrus Horne, under-taker, on Eleventh street, where they will remain, subject to the Coroner's investigation.

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As soon as the intelligence of the tragety became known, a great deal of excitement took place among the people as the news spread. The police officers, in making a general search around the farm, discovered a shirt and pair of drawers under a haystack, about five hundred yards from the dwelling-house. They were taken in charge by the officers. These articles were not very clean; they appear to have been pretty well worn.

It is strange indeed that there was very little or no blood about the bodies of the victims, nor in the vicinity of the places where they were found. Diligent search was made by the shrewdest officers for these marks, with the view of ascertaining, if possible, how or where the mur-ders were committed. But all efforts tending to this result were made in vain, and of course the entire affair is involved in deep mystery It is thought, however, that the mother It is thought, however, that the mother and her children having been murdered, were conveyed to the barn and there thrown into a beap, as already stated. The murders must have been committed outside of the dwelling-house, and what blood flowed must have soaked into the ground, or been washed out or dissipated by the rains which prevailed since Saturday. It is evident that after these murgers the day. It is evident that after these murders, the hellish perpetrator of them not being able to find any money in the house, came to the conclusion that Mr. Deering must have his funds about him, and therefore waited his return. The desperate man probably laid in wait in the rear of the house, and commenced the work of death as Mr. Deering and his niece, Mrs. Dolan, were getting out of the wagon. He then dragged them to the place where their bodies were tound, as already described.

The cattle, between thirty and forty in num ber, were in a pitiable condition. The poor creatures were ravenous from thirst and hunger. They were attended to as speedily as possible. and in such a manner as humanity dictated. The person who is supposed to have committed the Lorrible deed is a German, who has been in the employ of Mr. Deering but a short time. He attended to the cattle and horses, and assisted his employer in various other ways about the place. He had been there so short a time that none of the persons on the neighboring farms had the least acquaintance with him; in fact, out of a number of those who resided near, and with whom we conversed, not one of them could give anything near a full description of him. But it seems that, without doubt, he was about twenty-five years of age; that he wore a moustashe, and weighed about 160 or 170 pounds. Some said that he was tall, with dark hair and moustache, while others said he was of medium size, stoutly built, and with light bair and moustache. It was the general belief that the man had been in the army, but as to the regiment he was connected with, or any other facts tending in that direction, not one appeared to have the slightest knowledge. perty of the German. A pair of shoes, covered with mud, were also found in the house; these also, it is believed, belonged to the same person.

A pair of light-blue army pants were found in the house, which, it is believed, was the pro As the shoes of Mr. Deering were missing from his feet when his body was found, it is supposed that the German put them upon his own feet, and left his old ones in the house where they were found. We could find no one about had seen this man about the place at later period than Friday morning; at that time he was seen by a young man who resides on Jones' lane, about a square from Mr. Deering's The German was then engaged at work near a ditch, in company with his employer. Since that, as far as we could learn, no trace of him is known. It is a fact, however, that neither he nor his body were visible in the nelghborhood yesterday. We are not able to give any further particulars about this man at present. The detectives, who were on the ground at the earliest possible moment, set to work to ascertain some clue as to the where-abouts of the supposed murderer. Not receiving any plausible description of him, they have but few facts to assist them in ferreting out the affair. Further developments will no doubt be brought to light to-day, and some that may assist in pointing out the perpetrator of the deed. Lest evening Mayor McMichael very promptly offered a reward of \$1000 for the arrest of the murderer of the Decring family. His Honor murderer of the Deering family. His Honor will probably communicate officially with Councils to-day, who will, without doubt, largely increase the amount, it being limited with the Mayor to the sum offered by him.

# LATEST.

BODY OF THE BOY FOUND.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE ASSASSIN

THE TRAGEDY UNFOLDING

#### SHOCKING DETAILS.

The body of the hired boy, known as Cornelius, was found this morning by the officers at half-past ten o'clock. He was discovered under the haystack, a short distance southeast of the dwelling, with his throat cut from ear to ear. From bruises found upon his person it is thought that he was struck in the head with the pole of the axe, and either shot or struck in the breast with a fork. His body was found by Officers Mitchell, Kepfler, and Tucker.

Officer Tucker also found the pantaloons and coat of the German in his room, with marks of blood upon them. His shirt and drawers were found about a square from the haystack. The detectives are upon the track, and but little doubt is entertained of capturing the criminal at

#### ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

The reporter of THE EVENING TELEGRAPH visited the scene of the late murder this morning, and found an immense crowd in attendance. The house is located due north and south, and in the rear is a large wood-shed. The front room, which is about twelve feet square, was comparatively in good order. On the east side windows open looking towards the Delaware. Between the dining-room and the kitchen, which is in the rear, there is a flight of stairs, leading to the upper portions of the building. In the sitting room were found a suit of child's clothes, which, it is supposed, the mother was making at the time the attack was made. Workbaskets, spools of cotton, thread, and other articles of domestic use were found scattered around in confusion. The cradle of the child, with its furniture, was found in this room, but no traces of blood, or any indications of a struggle. The chairs, tables, and stoves were all in their usual positions.

The parlor, about 12 by 16, was somewhat disarranged, the furniture being found in confusion. There was a desk and two clocks, one an old fashioned eight-day and the other a mantle

The kitchen was in complete order, the dishes being washed and in the closet. The usual furniture of the kitchen was found undisturbed.

In the second story, used as chambers, matters were in disorder, the work of the chambermaid having been apparently omitted. The beds were unmade, and on one of them a bonnet and a set of furs were found.

Description of the Supposed Murderer. Chief Detective Benjamin Franklin has atter onsiderable difficulty, succeeded in obtaining a tolerably accurate description of the German employed by Mr. Deering, and who it is supposed committed the foul deed. Several persons have undertook to describe the man, but the accounts vary in many particulars. The description appended is, however, agreed to in its main points by all parties who have seen the missing Ger

He was known by the name of Anthony or Antoni. He is about 28 or 30 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches in height; light hair and light complexion. He wears, or did wear, when last seen thin moustache of a light color, and a thin

light colored goatee.

He is round shouldered, and stoops when walking. He walks very slowly, and takes long strides, and his general movements are of a rather awkward character. He has pimples on his face, and speaks very indifferent English.

# FROM BALTIMORE TO-DAY.

The Bernel-Keene Scandal-Latest Developments-A Duel on the Tapis-The Southern Fair, Etc. special Despatch to the Evening Telegraph

BALTIMORE, April 12 .- The Bernel and Keene anonymous letter affair remains in statu quo. It is generally believed that a duel will grow out of it. The friends of both parties still have the matter under investigation. It forms the entire fashionable gossip of the town. All concerned stood at the top of "the quality." It is supposed that, unless Bernel makes a satisfactory explanation, he will be withdrawn from the British Consulate.

The Southern Pair continues to draw immensely; but Dan Rice beats it, as he preaches Unionism. It closes finally to-morrow night.

# The Fenian Movement.

EASTPORT, Maine, April 12. - There is great excitement on Campo Bello island, and the families of the residents there are removing to this city, and taking shelter in barns and outhouses. A great Fenian meeting was held last night, at which speeches were made by B. D. Killian and Major Sinnott.

CALAIS, Me., April 12,-There was much excitement yesterday and last night at St. Stephens, New Brunswick, opposite this city. The fears of a Fenian raid somewhere on the frontier have been strengthening for several days past, but the precise point of attack is not yet

The reports from Eastport yesterday indicated that the Fenians were leaving there in squads, it was supposed for Calais, but up to this hour h y have not shown themselves here.

# Markets by Telegraph.

NEW YORK, April 12—Cotton is quiet at 37@38c. for Middlings. Flour has advanced 5@10c. for sound; sales of 8500 bbls. at \$6.70@8.10 for State; \$8.25@11 10 for Ohio; \$6.70@8.05 for Western; Southern buoyant; 2000 bbls. sold, \$8.90@15.50; Canadán 5@10c. better; 450 bbls. sold at \$7.35@12. Wheat firm, but quiet; mixed advanced lc; sales of 32.000 bush. Corn at 80@85c; Oats advanced lc; Beet stoady. Pork steady at \$25.50 for Mess; Lard lirm; Whisky quil.

-There is much probability that the Cathedral at Ulm will soon be placed in the hands of the restorer; some works of conservation require to be effected in the first instance.

# THIRD EDITION

HORRIBLE FAMILY MUR-DER IN VIRGINIA.

A Woman and Three Children Butchered.

#### THEY ARE HACKED TO DEATH WITH AN AXE.

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., April 12 .- A horrible murder was committed near Warsaw, Richmond county, Va., on the morning of the 3d inst. A man by the name of Julius Hall went into the kitchen where a colored woman and her three children were, and with an axe killed them all. The woman was found lying in the middle of the floor, weltering in her blood; near the bed was found one of the children, a girl about seven years of age, with her brains running out; another, five years old, and an infant, not yet a year old, were found lying near the fire-place with their skulls smashed in. Hall was arrested and committed to jail for trial at the next term

After he had committed the deed he told his wife that he had done it; he then went to his father's, some four miles distant, and told his father what he had done-"that he didn't want to do it, but stated that something told him he must do it." He said this woman had never done anything to cause him to do as he had done. Hall seems very much depressed, and has evinced a disposition to kill himself. He having acted in a strange manner for some time past, it is supposed that his mind was in a Jeranged condition at the time the deed was com-

# WASHINGTON.

Special Despatches to The Evening Telegraph. WASHINGTON, April 12.

Mr. Stephens' Testimony. Alexander H. Stephens was before the Reconstruction Committee yesterday for several hours. He gave a rose-colored account of the South, its condition, and its hopes.

Personal.

Senator Wright has not been to the Senate since the day he voted against the Civil Rights bill after the veto. He continues very weak. Senator Dixon recovers very slowly, and may not be able to resume his seat for some time to

Senator Wilson and several others left for Monday.

Secretary Stanton has left the city on a visit to his mother. He will probably be gone several days.

# The Test Oath.

Loyal gentlemen arriving here daily from Virginia strongly oppose any modification of the test oath looking to the admission to Congress of men who were identified with the late Rebellion, but, on the contrary, desire its provisions to be made still more stringent, and assert that in their opinion; the radicals are the truest and best friends of the Southern people.

# The Lincoln Funeral Car.

At the sale of the United States military railroad supplies yesterday, at Alexandria, the gorgeous funeral car which conveyed the remains of President Lincoln to Springfield, Ill., was purchased by ex Marshai Ward H. Lamon for a little less than \$10,000.

Smuggling to be Stopped.

The Senate Committee on Commerce is preparing to report a bill for the prevention of smuggling at the seaports and on the Canadian

# Escaped.

Oscar Mankin, one of the Alexandria Rebels. convicted of murder on Christmas last, on the occasion of the riots, has escaped from prison.

#### The Reconstruction Committee. Unless the friends of Mr. Johnson's policy have more witnesses to examine the Reconstruction

Committee will soon close their case, and report finally to Congress. The President in a State of Siege.

A number of dilapidated politicians are here besieging the President daily to give them office, and remove Republicans who do not sustain his Southern policy. Notwithstanding all their assertions to the contrary, there is at present no

prospect of their success. Freedmen's Affairs in Mississippi.

Colonel Thomas having been relieved from the superintendency of Freedmen's affairs in Mississippi, General T. J. Wood, commanding the Department, has been temporarily assigned to the duties of Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau

|Official Army Register. The first volume of the official army register,

published in compliance with an act of Cougress, has just made its appearance. It was intended to embrace the names of all volunteer officers of the New England States, together with a brief sketch of the history of the different regiments, promotions, discharges, dismissals, transfers, and a large amount of other data of interest to former officers of the volunteer force. The mistakes and omissions in this edition will probably lead to its suppression by order of the Congress. The next velume, now being printed, will soon be issued, and is to embrace the same facts relative to Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey regiments. The series will consist of eight volumes, which will be issued from time to time, from the Government Printing Office, and will be forwarded to all applicants on the receipt of one dollar, the actual cost of publication. No copies are printed for members of Congress,

#### ROBBERY EXTRAORDINARY.

A Bank Clerk Ruccked Down and Robbed of Nine Thousand Dolors in Gold-A Mysterious Affair-"Where are

the Police?"

One of the most extraordinary cases of high-

One of the most extraordinary cases of highway robbery that has ever startled honest New Yorkers occurred on Tuesday afternoon last, in the very heart of the business portion of the city. At about 1 o'clock (we are informed) a person employed as porter or clerk in the Bank of America, called at the Sub-Treasury office, corner of Wall and Nassau streets, and obtained nuse thousand dollars in gold. The specie was placed in a bag, and the clerk left the Sub-Treasury office on his way to the bank.

Two hours afterwards, one of the clerks of the Chatham Bank had occasion to visit the Sub-Treasury office to obtain specie. Having accomplished the object of his visit, he passed from the room. As he stepped into the antercoom, he stumbled over the prostrate form of the clerk of the Bank of America, who had left the building two hours previously. Examination disclosed the lact that the unfortunate man had been knocked down, stanned, and severely wounded, and that the bag he had obtained from the Sub-Treasury office was messing. Measures were at once taken to restore consciousness, but at a late nour on Tuesday evening sures were at once taken to restore consciousness, but at a late nour on Tuesday evening these efforts had been only partially successful. Indeed, at last accounts, the unfortunate clerk was wholly unable to give any account of the circumstances attending the robbery, or to make any intelligent statement with regard to the manner in which he had passed the two hours intervening between his departure from the Sub-Treasury office and the discovery of the outrage, or concerning his whereabouts during this time. To all questions his replies are vague and unmeaning. He seemed quite unaware that he had been assaulted or robbed. Every person who had occasion to call at the

Sub-Treasury office will remember that the main room is approached through an anternom. It was in this aute-room, between the inner and the outer doors, and near the former, that the unfortunate clerk was discovered. Of course he could not have remained in this room, in the condition in which he was found, during the whole of the two hours. The most reasonable theory is that he went away from the Sub-Treasury build-ing, was knocked down and robbed somewhere in its neighborhood, and after hours of aimless wandering finally staggered back into the little ante-room, there to sink and lose his conscious-

We are informed that the victim of this outwe are informed that the victim of this outrace was assaulted in a similar manner a few years since, while residing in New Jersey, and that his mind received so great a shock that he was utterly unable to speak during several years immediately following. His numbness, however, passed away in time. It is well known that such a case did occur at about the time indicated (in 1858, we think), exciting general attention.

Our entirely infallible detectives need hardly be informed there is a new chance for glory. To be sure, the recovery of the sum of \$9000 can hardly be considered a strong meentive to can hardly be considered a strong meentive to those efficient officials whose unimpeachable integrity and unsurpassed sagacity have endeared them to the hearts of all owners of greenbacks and national securities. At most, under the system which is understood to be in operation, the capturing party could obtain only \$3000. But it may be intimated, we trust, without giving offense to the guardians of our lives and property, that the robbery, not to say assassination, of a bank attache, in broad daylight, in a crowded thoroughtare, and under the very shadow, as it were, of official authority, is not, in these days, and with our civilization, quite "the thing."—N, Y. World.

# LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS—President Judge Almson.—Prison cases still occupy the sessions of the Court. John Williams pleaded guilty to stealing a box of maize and other articles, worth \$12, the property of samuel Barton & Co. Williams was seen to pick up the box and wask with it away from the store. Being pursued he ran, and dropped the box, but failed to make his escape.

C. F. Reel pleaded wanty to a charge of assault and battery on Phino Brittner.

Richard Royal (colored) was convicted of stealing a coat, the property of John Campbell, No. 510 S. Soventh street.

Seventh street. Dullon Cooper was convicted of a charge of stealing a barrel of dried huckleberries from J. S. Tustin No. 15 S. Front street.

John Leopart was convicted of stealing a bag of carpet balls belonging to Susan Bradley. Charles Boissard was convicted of stealing a tub

and five pounds of butter, worth \$450, from J. C. William Lee was convicted of a charge of burglary attempted to be committed April 2, at the dwelling-house of Charles H. Smith, No. 735 Wood street. Thomas Dowdle was convicted of stealing five

pounds of butter.

Marths W: son, charged with stealing a cloak, the property of Leborah Hunt, was found guity.

Joseph Anderson, charged with receiving an over-Joseph Anderson, charged with receiving an over-coat from Walter H. Tliden, knowing the same to have been stolen, was convicted. Anderson said the coat was given to him by his wile, and that he had no reason to believe it to be stolen. Catharne Halev was charged with the larcesy of nine dollars from Morris Kerven. John Smith and John Guyant were charged with

John Smith and John Guyant were charged with bighway robbery, commit ed on the person of samuel Headly. The defendants, as Headly testi-fied, followed him on the evening of the 28d or Match, from the tavern of a man named Dusenbury, at Delaware avenue and Dock streets, and violently assaulting, robbed him of his pocket-book and contents, amounting to about \$50, and also a watch.

contents, amounting to about \$50, and also a watch. The police having been informed of the affair, went to Dusenbury's, and arrested Guyant and smith, whom the plaintiff identified as the parties who had robbed him. About \$20 in money was found on each of the defendants, but neither the watch nor pocket-book. On trial.

SUPPEME COURT AT NISI PRIUS - Justice Read.—The Court at this morning to hear a motion to vacate a rule to take the depositions of going witnesses on five hours notice. It was stated to the Court in support of the motion by the counsel for the defendant that the witnesses proposed to be examined had been brought from Luzerne county, where they and the defendant reside, in order to be examined in a cause pending here in this Court, and that owing to the shortness of the notice they had been unable to communicate with their client.

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Justice Read granted the motion vacating the rule. on the ground that wi nes-es thus brought from a distance to testify were not going witnesses within the meaning of the rule of Court, and fixed Monday next as the time to proceed with the depositions.

The District Courts, Nos. 1 and 2, have concluded

their lists for the week, and adjourned.

The Court of Common Pleas, Jurige Pierce, was eneaged with the case of Sherry vs. Grover, an action by plaintiff to recover torione week's as 'ary, as an actor at the New Chesnut Street Theatre. Before

-A silver wedding that will be worth witnessing will be observed on the 28th of April, at St. Petersburg. It is that of the Czar Alexander and the Czarina. They were married on the 28th of April, 1841. The Czar's birthday falls on the 29th of April, when he will be fortyeight years of age. His wife, who is forty-two, is Mary Alexandrowna, daughter of the Grand Duke of Hesse Darmstadt, one of the minor sovereigns of Germany. Five sons and a daughter are the fruits of this marriage, the daughter, who bears the mother's name, being thirteen. The eldest son died recently.

-At West Bend, Wiscons'n, recently, a clergyman started for a small country place, a few miles away, for the purpose of reading the burial service over a lady who was that day to be interred. On the way the horse, a highspirited animal, ran away throwing the gentle-man from the cutter and killing him instantly. The funeral was in consequence delayed; and a while after the time when it would, but for the accident, have taken place, the lady rose from the coffin, having been in a trance for two days. The unfortunate minister was buried in the grave which had been made to receive the lady's supposed remains. supposed remains.